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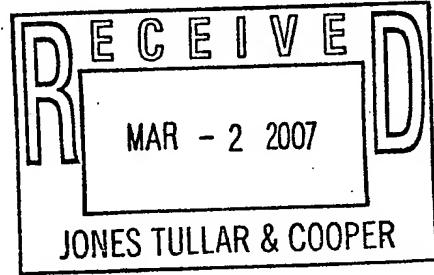
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## Domestic Priority data as claimed by applicant

This application is a 371 of PCT/EP04/51188 06/22/2004

## Foreign Applications

GERMANY 103 31 595.0 07/11/2003  
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The country code and number of your priority application, to be used for filing abroad under the Paris Convention, is **US10/564,080**

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**Title**

Devices and methods for raising and/or lowering a printing form

**Preliminary Class**

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- continuation
- continuation-in-part (CIP)

My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated next to my name.

I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed for and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:

### **DEVICES AND METHODS FOR RAISING AND/OR LOWERING A PRINTING FORM**

the specification of which:

is attached hereto

was filed on \_\_\_\_\_ as

Application Serial No. \_\_\_\_\_

and was amended on \_\_\_\_\_  
(If applicable)

was described and claimed in PCT International application

No. PCT/EP2004/051188 filed on June 22, 2004

and as amended under PCT Article 19 on May 3, 2005 (if any).

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any Amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge duty to disclose information which is material to patentability as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, § 1.56.

In compliance with this duty there is attached an information disclosure statement. 37 CFR § 1.97.

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no such applications have been filed  
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Prior Foreign Application(s)

10331595.0 (Number)	Germany (Country)	11/7/2003 (Day/month/year filed)
102004022866.3 (Number)	Germany (Country)	6/5/2004 (Day/month/year filed)

I hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code, § 119(e) of any United States Provisional application(s) listed below:

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I hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code, §120 of any United States application(s) listed below, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in the prior United States application in the manner provided by the first paragraph of Title 35, United States Code, § 112, I acknowledge the duty to disclose all information known to Federal Regulations, § 1.56 which became available between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT international filing date of this application:

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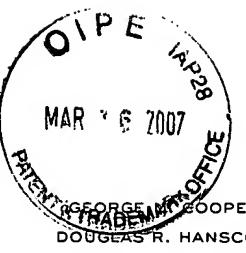
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Re: Request for Updated Filing Receipt for  
U.S. Patent Application No. 10/564,080

Sir:

I am requesting an Updated Filing Receipt for the above-identified U.S. patent application. Applicant Manfred Herrmann Liebler's middle name is misspelled as "Hermann." The correct spelling is "Herrmann," as noted on the enclosed Declaration and Power of Attorney which was filed with the application on January 11, 2006. Also enclosed is a copy of the Filing Receipt.

Thank you very much for your attention to this matter.

Very truly yours,

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By:

  
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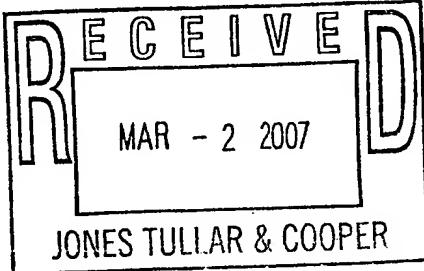


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03/02/2006	03/02/2006
DATE OF RECEIPT OF 35 U.S.C. 371(c)(1), (c)(2) and (c)(4) REQUIREMENTS	DATE OF COMPLETION OF ALL 35 U.S.C. 371 REQUIREMENTS

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The following items have been received:

- Copy of the International Application filed on 01/11/2006
- English Translation of the IA filed on 03/02/2006
- Copy of the International Search Report filed on 01/11/2006
- Copy of IPE Report filed on 03/02/2006
- Preliminary Amendments filed on 01/11/2006
- Information Disclosure Statements filed on 01/11/2006
- Oath or Declaration filed on 01/11/2006
- U.S. Basic National Fees filed on 01/11/2006
- Priority Documents filed on 01/11/2006
- Power of Attorney filed on 03/02/2006

The following defects have been observed:

- Preliminary Amendments have not been entered because the claims where cancelled but the following claims where in foreign language so the claims couldn't be entered.

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